



## Consumers Energy

Consumers Energy has demonstrated a long-term commitment to historic preservation. The company has thoroughly documented its historic and archaeological properties, resulting in National Register of Historic Places nominations for the Cooke and Hardy hydroelectric plants. The company's preservation ethic extends beyond its power plants. As part of a commitment to keeping its headquarters in downtown Jackson, Consumers invested \$6 million in the rehabilitation of the former Jackson Main Post Office building. This spectacular example of 1930s Beaux Arts public architecture will function as a meeting/gathering space and the primary entry to the multi-million-dollar office building constructed immediately behind the former post office.

The project site, located at the east end of Michigan Avenue, is the terminus of views into downtown and the primary point where downtown and the Grand River linear park converge. Consumers Energy's commitment to the vitality of downtown Jackson should serve as proof to the citizens of Jackson and the state of Michigan that downtown continues to be a vital and dynamic place to live, work, and play.

# Historic Preservation in Michigan